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TAGS: OREP (MCGOVERN, GEORGE) SUBJECT: CODEL MCGOVERN

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- 1. WELCOME VISIT BY CODEL. KNOW THAT SARG WILL BE DELIGHTED AT CHANCE RECEIVE SENATOR.
- 2. PROPOSE REQUEST FOLLOWING CALLS FOR CODEL:
- A. PRESIDENT ASAD
- B. DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS KHADDAM
- C. SPEAKER OF PEOPLES' COUNCIL AL-HALABI

(COMMENT: AL-HALABI CALL PROTOCOL REQUIREMENT AND CAN BE KEPT TO MAXIMUM 45 MINUTES.)

3. SYRIANS I KNOW WILL HOPE THAT SENATOR WOULD BE WILLING MAKE THREE HOUR ROUND TRIP BY CAR TO FRONT LINE CITY OF KUNEITRA. SINCE SENATOR WILL BE GOING LATER TO OTHER SIDE OF LINES ON GOLAN HEIGHTS, I RECOMMEND HE MAKE THIS TRIP TO ENHANCE APPRECIATION OF SYRIAN ATTITUDES TOWARDS GOLAN. HE COULD MAKE TRIP LEAVING EARLY MORNING MARCH 30 OR ENROUTE AMMAN MARCH 31. (DIVERSION TO KUNEITRA WOULD ADD APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TO HIS TRIP LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO AMMAN. HE COULD STILL ARRIVE APPROX 1130 IN AMMAN

BY ADVANCING DEPARTURE FROM DAMASCUS TO 0730.)

4. INVITE CODEL TO STAY AT RESIDENCE WHERE WOULD BE MORE COMFORTABLE THAN LOCAL HOTEL. THIS ASSUMING TILLMAN AND BARON WOULD NOT OBJECT TO SHARING LARGE DOUBLE AT RESIDENCE.

5. SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS: WOULD LIKE OFFER RECEPTION FOR CODEL BUT IN VIEW REQUEST THAT SOCIAL ENGAGEMENTS BE HELD TO MINIMUM WILL DEFER HIS WISHES. HOPE SENATOR WOULD AGREE TO MEET WITH EMBASSY STAFF FOR ONE HOUR EVENING OF MARCH 30. FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF PEOPLES' COUNCIL NORMALLY OFFERS LUNCH TO VISITING POLITICAL PERSONALITIES. ADVISE IF THIS ACCEPTABLE.

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